[From the Memphis (Tenn.) Eegle, 6th.] LETTER FROM JOHN C. CALHOUN ON THE MEMPHIS RAILROAD

CONVENTION.

FORT HILL, 26th May, 1849.

Gentlemen-I have received your invitation in behalf of the citizens of Memphis, to be present at a meeting of citizens from every part of the country to be held there on the 4th of July next, for the purpose of aiding, by expressing public opinion, the project of constructing a railroad from the valley of the Mississippi to the Pacific ocean.

I would be happy to accept your invitation, and to be present on the occa-sion, but regret to state, that I have an engagement with which I cannot dispense, and which will not permit me,

The object of your meeting I regard as very important. Of all the projects of the age, I consider it as the one of the greatest magnitude, viewed either in its commercial or political aspect. It would do more than any other to facilitate intercourse between the two great occans of the globe—the Atlantic and the Pacific—and thereby well as the production of the globe of the globe of the globe. and thereby unite, commercially and politically, the western coast of this continent and the eastern coast of the old, with the eastern coast of this and the western coast of the old, far more intimately than they have ever heretofore been. The valley of the Mississippi would become the common center of the intercourse between the two oceans and the extremes of both continents, with all the great benefits it would confer.

Thus far there can be no division of opinion; but it remains to be determined whether a rail road is practicable; and what point, if it is, should it commence on the Mississippi and terminate on the Pacific? and what intermediate tract should it take between? what will be its cost? and what plan should be adopted for its execution? All these questions should be deliberately and carefully settled before the rate of the state of the s tled before the work is undertaken, Nothing ought to be hastily or precipitately done in a case of such magnitude. A careful recognizance and an actual survey, where necessary, ought to be made by

able and faithful engineers of all the routes, preparatory to determining the question of practicability and, if found to be so, to determine what would be the shortest, the most easily constructed, the cheapest, and the most open and readily passed over at all seasons, and what the actual cost of constructing each would be. All this information would be necessary to determine the point at which it should commence on the Mississippi and terminate on the Pacific. But in determining on these points, other considerations would have to be taken into the estimate. In determining the former, it will have to be considered, first, what point on the river will best suit its valley, and in the next, what will best suit the rest of the Union, all things considered!—The former would involve the question what mer would involve the question, what point will, at all seasons, be most easily, cheaply and certainly approached by its waters, including its great tributaries? And the latter, the question, what point would, in like manner, be approached by rail road from other portions of the Union? These are questions which will demand, at the proper time, grave and careful examination. The selection should be made in reference to the general good of the whole Union, and not in reference to any particular portion.

The selection of the point of terminus on the Pacific will be of less complication. The goodness of the port, its position in reference to the general trade of that ocean, and the facility of reaching it by a Reil Road, should be considered in determining it.

But candor compels me to state, there still remains another and greater ques-tion for us of the South to determine, before we finally decide what course we should take in reference to this great project; and that is, what position are we to occupy in reference to our territories on the Pacific acquired from Mexico by the late treaty with her? Are we to be excluded from them? Are we, after having spent so much of our blood and treasure for their acquisition, to be deprived, con-trary to the provisions of the Constitution, and violation of every principle of equity and justice, of our equal right in them? Are they to be made the means of our humiliation and subjection to the rest of the Union, instead of our prosperity?
And, if so, shall we still go on, and spend millions, in addition to what we have already, in aggrandizing the rest of the Union at our own expense, and for our subjection? I trust not. I trust we shall pause until it is ascertained how we are to stand, as to these territories and the rest of the Union, before we decide finally are over the stand. finally on our course in reference to the subject of the meeting. In the meantime steps may be taken to obtain information

WASHINGTON NATIONAL MONU-MENT.

To the People of the United States.

Believing, from the interest so far evinced by the People of the United States in the erection of the great National Monument in this city to the memory of the illustrious Father of his Country, that no occasion could be more appropriate for a further manifestation of that in-terest than the approaching Birthday of our National Independence, the Board of Managers of the Washington National Monument Society has instructed me to request that wherever that day is celebrated collections may be taken up in aid of the great and patriotic object, which all who revere the character and cherish the memory of Washington must earnestly desire to see it accomplished. It has been justly observed that "if men of standing and eminence throughout every community in our extended country were to use their influence to turn the stream of exmiliture, on the ensuing Fourth of July, towards the fund for this Monument, it would be a beautiful and appropriate commemoration, worthy of the People and of the Man to whom the Nation is so much indebted for the results of that eventful day. Would not each and every one be willing to devote the extra expenditure usually incurred on this anniversa-ry 'o so holy a purpose?" It is believed that they would, and they are earnestly invited to do so. The public Press, it is hoped, will aid the cause, and every where recommend this plan; and the Wives and Daughters of America are requested to lend their influence to the noble undertaking. Let the announcement of such a purpose be given some days previous to the Fourth of July, and committees appointed to receive and transm to the General Agent of the Society the collections which may then be made.

For the information of the Public it may be proper to state that, since the last Fourth of July, when the corner-stone of the Monument was laid, the work has been steadily advancing, and has now reached an elevation of about twenty-six feet above the surface, with a foundation of solid masonry 81 feet square at the bottom and 58 feet 10 inches square at the top, upon which the obelisk, cased with beautiful white marble and elevated five hundred feet, is to be erected. The walls of gneiss and marble are fifteen feet in thickness, leaving a cavity of twentyfive feet square, in which the staircase of iron, ascending to the summit, will be placed; and the whole structure, when finished, will be, it is believed, the greatest work of the age, reflecting imperishuble honor on the patriotism and gratitude of the American People, by whose contributions alone it is expected to be completed.

GEO. WATTERSTON, Sec'y W. N. M. So.

Caution.—The Southern Christian Advocate of Friday says:

"We regret extremely to be compelled by a sense of duty to state to the public that a person known as Mr. Chipley, who has been engaged in this and neighboring communities for some time past, is making applications for m vney on various pretexts, has no connection whatever with the Missionary Society, is not authorized to make collections for that or any other interest connected with the Methodist Church, and is obviously laboring under derangement of mind. It was hoped that a cord published in this paper a few weeks since would have induced him to leave hence the necessity of the foregoing statement. The Methodist E. Church, South, is not in the slightest december, by the statement of the slightest december of the slightest is not in the slightest degree responsible for his character or conduct."

Gen. Scott, at the capture of the City of Mexico, seized and brought home some five thousand volumes of historical works in the archives of Mexico, all in the Span-ish language. Some of these are three hundred years old, and contain a perfect history of that country from its origin. It is the intention of this Government to extract from this library all that may be useful in forming a complete history of the possession which we have acquired by the treaty, to be retained in our own ar-chives, and the books will then be sent back to Mexico. The right to bring the books away is perhaps undoubted, but it evinces liberality in this government to return them.—N. Y. Tribune.

OFFICIAL TRIBUTE TO GEN. GAINES,— In the order of the War Department, directing the usual minitary honors to the memory of this deceased officer, the fol-

lowing occurs— He ascended step by step to his honorable and elevated rank.

Opportunity only hastened that promotion which his judgment and courage and patriotism wen. His knowledge was the result of his experience. He studied

the less of the Orion, below we decide subject of the meeting. In the meantime steps may be taken to obtain information preparatory to decision; but let us reserve that until we can see what interest we are to have in the work.

With great respect, I am, &c.,
J. C. Californ.

Mesars, Robertson Topp, M. B. Winehester; Jno. T. Trezevant, and others of the Committee of Correspondence.

the result of his experience. He studied the character of the soldier and knew his wants. The one he directed, the other relieved. He was a man of generous and ardent sympathics.

Authority he always considered as an element for good or for evil. Its exercise by him may be safety tested by that standard which combines kindness with firmness and justice with elemency.—

He gave not an order, in the execution of which he was not prompt to share all its

perils. Of his gallant exploits it is not necessary to speak; they belong to history and are safe.

DEATH OF MISS EDGEWORTH.—The literary world and a host of juvenile readers will learn with sorrow, that the cele-brated Maria Edgeworth, the once popular novelist, is dead. She died after a few hours' illness, Monday, May 21, at Fdgeworthtown, in the County of Longford, Ireland. She was in her 83d year. Telegraph.

By the arrival of the America, in ten days from Europe, we learn that Com-mercial news is good; cotton has advanced 1-4. American stock in demand.

RENCONTRE.

The Charleston Courier says a despatch from Louisville, states that a rencontre took place in Madison co., Ky. between Cassius M. Clay and Jos. Tur-ner, in which Mr. Clay was stabbed thro' the heart, and Turner was wounded in the abdomen and groin, of which wounds

DEATH OF JAMES K. POLK James K. Polk Ex-President of the nited States, departed this life on the

15th inst., at Nashville. A nation will mourn the loss of this distinguished tatesman, with a deep and abiding sorrow, that will admit no re-membrance of party strife or political difference. The intelligence of his death has come upon us suddenly; we had just announced his illness, but the hope of his recovery was too strong to allow the sad thought of his departure to enter our

The above intelligence we glean from the Charleston Courier.

HAMBURG MARKETS.

(REPORTED FOR THE KEC WEE COURIER.) HAMBURG, June 20, 1849. Our Cotton Market is again full, prices up, 1-8 to 1-4. We quote 6 1-4 to 7 1-2. Corn, 62 1-2 per bushel Meal, 75 " 75 16 per pound. Beeswax, Tallow, 7 a 6 1-4 The accounts from Europe by the last steam-er has given more confidence in commercial

matters. Yours, die.,

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS. We acknowledge the receipt this week, of the following sums, from the persons below named: Capt. A. Hunter, Wolf Creek, Capt. B. A. Barton, Twelve Mile, Arthur Craig, Pickens C. H., E. E. Alexander, 1 50 1 50 E. E. Alexander, Sam'l. Reid, Capt. A. Harris, W. D. Steele, Esq., Wm. Nevil, Z. Gibson, Col. J. Norton, Dr. E. G. Gaines, 1 50 1 50 50 1 50 Thos. M. Stribling, Horse Shoe, Mrs. M. M. Colhoun, Pendleton, 50 Jas. Thos. Steele, Capt. A. C. Pickens, 1 50 Geo. R. Cherry, Thos. D. Garvin, 1 50 John T. Norris, Anderson C. H., Jeptha F. Wilson, G. P. Gentry, P. S. F. Bruce, Rev. Jos. Grissham, West Union, 1 50 1 50 6 00

John Lay, Cheohee, Robt. Jarrett, Walton's Ford,

J. H. Reeder, Rockwell,
A. Phillips,
Maj. M. Mauldin, Pickensville,
Elihu Griffin,

Joshua Mansell, "Dr. A. W. Whitten, Sam'l. Rea, Hamburg,

FOURTH OF JULY

W. K. EASLEY will deliver an Oration in the Court House on the 4th of July next, at 11 o'clock, A. M., before the PICKENS LYCEUM. This community and the public generally are respectfully in-vited to attend.

By order of the Lyceum.

J. W. NORRIS, JR., SEC'Y.
Pickens C. H., S. C., June 22, 1849.

NOTICE.

Will be sold at Greenville C. H. on Monday the 2d of July next, 3 or 400 Barrels of Corn, a quantity of Fedder, and some other articles, belonging to the Estate of Edward H. Earle, deceased, to be delivered at his Plantation on Saluda, 17 miles above Greenville C. H.

Terms.—A credit until the 1st day of January next, with Note and approved security.

W. ZACHARY, Daguerream Artist.

Informs the citizens of the Village, and District generally, that he is located at Pickens C. H. for a short time, and will be pleased to furnish, all those who desire, with correct likenesses of themselves and friends. He may be found in the Long Room over the Store of Benson & Taylor. Pickens C. H., June 15th 1849. 4-tf

ESTRAY.

Sam'l. Pulliam, near Jarratts Bridge, tolls before me a Bay Horse, 14 or 15 hands high, about 8 years old, right hind foot white, branded on the near shoulder with letter O, right eye dim. Appraised at 35 dollars.

EDWARD HUGHES, M. P. D. June 8th, 1849.

NEW GOODS!!

THE SUBSCRIBERS Would respectfully inform their friends and customers, that they are now receiving a fresh supply of SPRING AND SUMMER DRY GOODS!

-ALSO-

GROCERIES, HARDWARE, SHOES, BOOTS, HATS, DRUGS, MEDICINES, &c., &c., which they will sell low for CASH .- Cal and examine for yourselves.

P. & E. E. ALEXANDER. Pickens C. H., 1st June, 1849 3-tf STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA. PICKENS DISTRICT. In Equity.

Jane Barton & P. Alexander, Adm'x. & Admr.

John Ladd and Wiley Bill for Relief. Reaves and Heirs at Law of B. Barton, dec'd.

It appearing to my satisfaction that enj. F. Barton and Joac Lewis and Wife, Phalby, Defendants to this Bill of Complaint, reside from and without the limits of this State.

On motion of Whitner & Harrison, Comp. Sol's, It is ordered, that they do plead, answer or demur to the allegations in said Bill, within three months from the date hereof, or their consent to the same

will be taken pro confesso.
MILES M. NORTON, C. E. P. D. Com's. Office, Pickens C. H., S. C. June 8th, 1849.

HEAD QUARTERS, 1st Division, S. C. M.

EDGEFIELD C. H., April 30, '49. CAPT. W. B. IOOR, having been appointed and commissioned Aid-de-Camp to Maj. Gen. Bonham, with the rank of Major, will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

By order of Maj. Gen. BONHAM. W. S. GRISHAM, Aid-de-Camp. June 9 4-3w.

SHERIFF'S SALES. PICKENS DISTRICT.

BY VIRTUE OF WRITS OF FIERI FACIAS TO

Will be sold before the Court House in this District, within the legal hours on the first Monday and Tuesday in July

1 Negro woman, named Milly, and 2 children, Caroline and Sina, levied on as the property of T. D. Coleman at the suit of John Bowen vs. T. D. Coleman and Abigail Coleman.

One Roane Horse levied on as the property of Joseph L. Howard, at the suit of Andrew Hunter vs. Joseph L. Howard and Charles Durham.

180 Acres of Land, lying on the waters ing lands of James Porter and others, sold as the property of Isaac Murphree at the suit of W. D.

One two horse Wagon and Gear, one sorrel Horse, and one bay Horse, levied on as the property of John M. Phillips, at the suit of W. D. Keith.

Also, one box of Silver Ware, levied on as the property of Absalom Byde, at the suit of W. D. Steele.

Conditions cash, -purchasers to pay for Titles. J. A. BOYLE, S. P. D.

Sheriff's Office,) June 9, 149.

Notice or not Notice, as you all please? W. T. HOLLAND, M. S., of Bachelor's Refrect, is decidedly the tallest man in

John Maxwell, Adm'r.

June 23, 1849.

Cheap Goods!

Benson & Taylor.

Thankful for the patronage of their friends and customers, since they have opened, give notice that they continue to receive, at short intervals, such Goods as will make their assortment complete, which consists of Dry Goods, Raes, Hars, Bonners, Shodes, Boors, Saddles, Bendes, &c., embracing many new articles for the least decidedly the tallest man in this part of the country—and some say, he is the d—dest fool; and others say he should not doctor a dog for them:—but he practices on, that is his business; he rides further and faster, and does more of it than any man now living, since Davy Crocket's dead. He treats cases as the symptoms appear; he pukes, he purges, he bleeds, he sweat's, but don't steam at all, and cuts too; and seldom, if cover, loses a patient while he or she continues breathing. He has a pill, a powder, a drop, a plaster for every pain, ache, and ailment in the whole catalogue of human diseases, and will positively sell them lower, by one-half, than any other person, tohits or bluck. He makes out his own bills and other men pay then, sometimes, and remetimes they do not. They say he cannot collect by law, but I say, if he can't, he can a-most.'

Pickens District, S. C., June 2, 1810.

CHEAP GOODS.

Cheap as the Cheapest! The subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the public generally, that he is receiving at short intervals a

HANDSOME SELECTION OF Dry Goods. GROCERIES, Hardware & Cutlery,

CROCKERY AND GLASS WARE, Drugs and Medicines, de. de. de.

will be sold positively as cheap as the cheapest for cash. S. R. McFALL.

All selected expressly for this market and

Pickens C. H., S. C.) May 18, 1849.

> E. M. KEITH, Attorney at Law.

WILL continue to practice in the Courts of Law and Equity for the Western Cir-

Business entrusted to his care will meet with prompt attention.

OFFICE at Pickens Court House, S. C. May 25 1849. 2-tf

Dr. J. N. Lawrence.

Will attend punctually to all calls in the line of his profession. Unless absent on professional business, he may be found at his Office, or his private residence in the Village. He also, has on hand a general assortment of medicines which he will furnish to customers at reduced prices. ices.
Pickens C. H., S. C.

May 18, 1849.

JAMES V. TRIMMIER, ATTORNEY AT LAW,

SPARTANBURG, C. H., S. C.

WILL practice in the Courts of Union, Spartanburg and Greenville. All business committed to his care will receive

HON. D. WALLACE, Union, S. C.
T. O. P., VERNON, C. E. S. D., Spartanburg, S. C.
May 18, 1849

prompt and faithful attention.

JAMES GEORGE, Merchant Tailor.

Would respectfully inform his friends and the public generally, that he has on hand a Fine Variety of BROAD CLOTHS, CASIMERES,

SATINETS, TWEEDS, KENTUCKY JEANS, 40. ALSO

AN ASSORTMENT OF READY-MADE CLOTHING, which he will sell cheap for Cash.

The public are invited to call and examine his Stock, before purchasing elsewhere.

Pickens C. H., May 25, 1849. 2-tf

Letters

Remaining in the Post Office at Pickens C. H., Quarter ending 31st March, 1849, which if not taken out within three months will be sent to the Post-Office Department as dead letters Isaac Anderson, Alston Bezlay, Win. Hamilton, Mrs. Mary C. Holland,

Mary Capehart, Richard Cottrell, Thomas Carder, Maxwell Chastain, Richard Dodson, Jacob Ellenburg, Jesse Hunnicutt,

May 18, 1849.

Henry Johns, Daniel Moody, Henry Morton, Daniel McKinney, Mrs. Ann Perry, Jabel F. Parks, Mrs. Mary Rogers, Rial Sec. P. ALEXANDER, P. M.

SOUTH CAROLINA. ICKENS DISTRICT. Hannah Clayton, Applicant.

Charles Allen and Wife, Sarah A. Allen, Jame's Young and Wife, Mary Eliza-belin Young, John Thos. Clayton, Ro-oert C. Clayton, Stephen G. Clayton, Margaret Clayton, Jesse M. Clayton,

Defendants.
For the sale of the Real Estate of John Clayton, deceased, not disposed of by Will. And it appearing that John Thomas Clayton resides without the limits of this State: it is therefore ordered, that he do appear within three month from the date hereof, or his consent to said sale will be taken as confessed.

W. D. STEELE O. P. D.

W: D. STEELE, o. p. p.
Ordinary's Office,
June 1st, 1849.
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ORDINARY'S SALE.

By order of W. D. Steele, Esq., Or-By order of W. D. Steele, Esq., Ordinary for Pickens District, will be sold on Sale-day in July next before the Sheriff's Office, within the legal hours, a Tract of Land belonging to the Estate of W.m. Addis, deceased, containing One Hundred Acres more or less, lying on Beaver-dam Creek, adjoining lands of C. Hunt, Wm. Grant and others, to be sold for Partition among the heira of said deceased.

TERMS ON SALE Twelve months credit, except the cost which will be required in advance; purchasers giving bond and good scenrity and a mortgage of the premises if required by the Ordinary, to secure payment of the purchase money.

J. A. DOYLE, s. r. D.

June 1, 1810: out twee